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A METHOD OF BACKING UP A RING OPTICAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS
NETWORK AND COMMUNICATIONS NODE, AN AMPLIFIED
5 COMMUNICATIONS NODE, AND A TRAFFIC CONCENTRATOR FOR A
BACKED UP RING OPTICAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

The present invention relates to the field of
optical telecommunications networks, and more
10 particularly to a method and to devices for backing up a
ring optical telecommunications network. The method of
the invention corresponds to a method of backing up a
ring optical telecommunications network including a
traffic concentrator (1) and a communications node (N3)
15 interconnected by an optical fiber (2) (s1, s2)
transported in the fiber and addressed to the node. The
method of the invention comprises the following
successive steps: while the network is being set up, a
step of creating a virtual break (C) between the
20 concentrator and the node; and when an at least partial
real break in the fiber is detected that limits or
interrupts the transmission of the signals to the node, a
step of displacing the virtual break so that it coincides
with the real break so as to re-establish the reception
25 of the optical signals by the node.

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